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Personal Mention

Brother Flora, Nappanee, Indiana, has recently been treated to very pleasant experiences.

Since the last report by Brother Koontz two more have been added to the Conemaugh congregation.

Brother Livengood reports a very successful meeting conducted by himself in the Lanark congregation, closing with ten accessions.

Brother I. D. Bowman is now at Nappanee, Indiana, holding forth the word, and we trust it will be with the same results which a year ago crowned his efforts.

The meeting held in the Pike congregation, of which brother J. L. Bowman is pastor, closed with three accessions, and one more is reported since the meeting.

Of Brother Holsinger's book brother L. P. Grossnickle, Mapleville, Md., writes: "Holsinger's book.

Very much pleased with it. Would not take three times the price of it, if I could not replace it. I believe members of both branches of the church ought to read it."

Because of his visit to Ashland on business Brother Tombaugh was unable to prepare his weekly instalment on "Trip to Europe" for the EVANGELIST.

Brethren O. L. Brown and D. M. Rettenhouse recently held a meeting in the Bethesda congregation, near Bryan, resulting in three accessions to the church.

Brother Lichty reports a successful meeting at Sunnyside, Washington. It was a union meeting resulting in 90 confessions, 14 of whom go to the Brethren church.

We have had some difficulty in collecting the necessary data relating to the life and character of our dear brother J. M. Bowman. We have about completed the work, and editorial notice will appear next week.

Brother E. H. Smith, State Evangelist of the District of Pennsylvania, reports one accession to the church. Brother Smith has moved his family from New Jersey to McVeytown, Pa., and in addition to his labors as State evangelist, will have charge of the Brethren church at that place.

Brother E. Yoder, Morrill, Kansas, informs us that three new members were recently added to the Pony Creek church. They had previously been baptized by trine immersion. Also that the Pony Creek and Hamlin churches have jointly called brother J. C. Mackey to the pastorate of these two churches and he has accepted the call.

Brother J. W. Beer, Nickerson, Kans. writes: "Series of meetings held by brother L. G. Wood assisted by his wife and sister, Anna Wood began January 11th. after a week of prayer, with fair weather and good attendance but the second week the weather became cold and stormy and also other meetings going on in town our attendance fell off some but we continued until February 4th. when we closed with four confessions and others deeply interested. We had much against us but the Lord is with us.

Indirectly we learn that Brother Haskins of Johnstown, and Brother Koontz of Conemaugh, have made a noble fight against the iniquitous saloon and the friends of the liquor traffic, and that not without success. Victory has crowned their efforts. Concerning the methods of work the reader will learn more later thru the columns of this paper. We rejoice in every victory over the saloon, for it always means a victory for economy, better living, for purity and decency and reverence for law.

At a meeting of the Brethren Publication Board last week there were present Brethren Tombaugh, Cassel, Lichty and Findley. Brother Livengood, Lanark, Ill., the fifth member was not able to meet with the Board. Business was satisfactorily disposed of. Brothel Cassel remained over Sabbath and preached in the college chapel, morning and evening. Both discourses were much appreciated. We are glad to know, and his many friends will be pleased to learn that Brother Cassel expects to travel among the churches this coming summer, beginning sometime in April.

Brother Samuel Lichty Falls City, Nebr. writing of his experience and work in getting EVANGELIST subscribers says, "I will try my pastor also, that is to say, I'll ask him to give a five minute pre-

lude to his sermon each Sunday, telling the congregation what blessed things he read in church paper Saturday evening. I imagine this would send a lot home to re-read some articles more carefully, and would make those who don't take the paper anxious to take it and read the thrilling matters the ministers talk of." Good. Next Sunday he can begin with what Brother Lichty says about "Church Finances"

Under date of February 21, Brother Bashor wrote that the meetings at Carleton, Nebr. are all that could be asked reasonably. Seventeen confessions up to date, and a deep interest and work seemingly only begun. House overflowing. Following this card came another dated February 22 in which Brother Bashor says, "Eight more confessions last night and many more deeply convicted. This makes 25 conversions for first week and a half. This is one of the most spiritual churches I ever worked in. Brother McFaden has done his work well. Will hold yet several days." The brotherhood will rejoice with the Carleton people in this great victory for the Lord.

Brother Byers reports another victory for Christ in one of his three congregations, Middlebranch, Ohio, this time. Sixteen confessions is the result in numbers. Since Brother Byers became pastor of the Louisville charge he has held meetings in the Georgetown, Middlebranch and Louisville congregations, resulting in more than sixty confessions. Brother Byers has received a unanimous call from all three congregations to continue his work, and an increase of salary with privilege to attend school. Three more have expressed their desire to become members of the Louisville church in his last Sunday morning service at that place, two of whom have come from the G. B.'s and have been received into the church; the other one is yet unbaptized.

Brother D. H. Kelso, uncle of Ruth, whose death is reported in this item, sends us the following clipping from a home paper for insertion in these columns:—What a shock our community received, when on Sunday afternoon last there went out the word Little Ruth Shoemaker is dead. Bright eyed, smiling little Ruth gone from us, can it be possible. No better known or more beloved girl lived among us, than Ruth, always smiling, always ready to do a favor, no wonder she was loved by all who knew her. Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shoemaker, was born at Norton, Kansas, December 12, 1891. She came with her parents to this city two years ago and thru these months has gone out and in among us. How many anxious ones there were when it was learned on Saturday, February 1, that Ruth had been seized by that fatal disease, diphtheria. On Sunday afternoon, February 9, her life went out.

The following item, under the heading "A Pastor Valentinized," appeared in one of the Meyersdale, Pa. papers: There were a great many valentines given out on Valentine Day, in this city, but our genial friend Rev. J. H. Knepper, pastor of the Brethren church on Main street, was the recipient of the handsomest one we have ever seen. He had been out in the country that day and on returning home in the evening, he prepared to enjoy himself by the fire. He had just got himself nicely settled down when Mr. Olinger dropped in to spend a little time, and a few minutes later several ladies came in, and Mrs. Harry Cook, who acted as spokeswoman for the party, in a few words told him inasmuch as the society was going to embellish the interior of the church, and as the architect had told them that all the